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FOLLOWING REPEAT BEIRUT 3673 ACTION STATE INFO AMMAN ABUDHABI
DAMASCUS JIDDA KUWAIT ROME JULY 3.

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E.O. 11652: NA

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SUBJ: FLYING TO BYZANTIUM

REFS: (A) JIDDA 4750, (B) BEIRUT 3476, (C) AMMAN 5557

1. WE NOTE THAT ACCORDING TO REF (A) SAUDIA'S HAKIM INTENDS
VISIT CAB WHILE NOT REPRESENTING SAUDIA; ACCORDING REF (B)
MEA'S SALAAM WILL VISIT NOT REPRESENTING MEA; AND ACCORDING
REF (C) ALIA'S GHANDOUR WILL VISIT NOT REPRESENTING ALIA,
LEAVING--WELL, WHAT? KUWAIL ALONE APPEARS INCLINED TO PLAY
IT STRAIGHT BY NOT SHOWING UP IN WASHINGTON AT ALL. GULF
AIR APPARENTLY IS TO CARRY THE KUWAITI BALL AND THUS MAKE
A STOOGE OF ITSELF. THIS COULD BE INTERPRETED AS (A) GULF
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AIR'S NAIVETE IN SUCH MATTERS OR (B) THE REVERSE, GULF AIR'S
CUNNING IN FINDING A MEANS FOR ITS DELEGATE ALSO TO
REPRESENT SOMEONE OTHER THAN HIS EMPLOYER. THEOREM (B)
WOULD PRESENT THE CAB WITH A UNIFORM DELEGATION: NO
AIRLINE REPRESENTATIVES, FOUR PROXIES IN RATHER SHALLOW
MUFTI. WHAT DOES IT ALL MEAN?

2. AS THE PROVERB SAYS: NOT EVERYONE WHO IS BLOWING
(ON THE FIRE) IS COOKING. THIS PARTICULAR BARBECUE
BEGINS TO LOOK LIKE A GAME OF TO TELL THE TRUTH. WE HOPE
CAB HAS ITS SPECTACLES ON. PARKER UNQUOTE VANCE

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